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RESOLUTION NO. 210-21

BY: **ROY J. JECH**

RESOLUTION URGING THE Α ADMINISTRATION TO USE FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE MONIES TO SECURE SIDEWALKS IN THE AREA OF WEST RIDGEWOOD DRIVE (FROM BROADVIEW ROAD TO RIDGE ROAD) AND THE DOWNTOWN **PARMA** AREA, AND **DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, sidewalks promote pedestrian and bicycle traffic; and

WHEREAS, the presence of sidewalks promote safety by keeping the pedestrian traffic and bicycle traffic out of the streets and onto the safety of sidewalks; and

WHEREAS, sidewalks promote a dynamic city and create walk up traffic to merchants in the City of Parma; and

WHEREAS, there is an absence of sidewalks on West Ridgewood Drive from Broadview Road to Ridge Road; and

WHEREAS, there is an absence of sidewalks in and around the area designated as the Town Center of Parma, our downtown district; and

WHEREAS, the City of Parma has received federal funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and will receive additional funds in 2022, and said funds can be used for infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has just passed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (H.R. 3684), and this bill was signed by President Biden and will provide communities with additional federal funds to be used for infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, a portion of these funds allocated to the City of Parma should be earmarked for sidewalks on West Ridgewood Drive and around the Town Center area of Parma.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. This Council urges the Administration to earmark a portion of the federal infrastructure funds for the installation of sidewalks in the City of Parma, particularly at the Town Center area of Parma and on West Ridgewood Drive between Broadview Road and Ridge Road.

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

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Section 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to urge the Administration to use federal infrastructure monies for sidewalks in the area of West Ridgewood Drive from Broadview Road to Ridge Road and the downtown Parma area, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:	
	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
CLERK OF COUNCIL	
FILED WITH	
THE MAYOR:	
	MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO